# MINUTES

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI July 14, 2015

#### INTRODUCTORY

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Branson, Missouri, met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on July 14, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Best called the meeting to order with the "Pledge of Allegiance" and Ted Martin gave the invocation.

#### ROLL CALL

City Clerk Westfall called roll: Mayor Best presiding, Patrick Parnell, Rick Todd, Rick Davis and Bob Simmons. Absent: Mike Booth and Cris Bohinc.

Also present from the City were: City Administrator Bill Malinen, City Clerk Lisa Westfall, City Attorney William Duston, Public Works Director and City Engineer David Miller, IT Director Chad Forster, Assistant Police Chief Stan Dobbins, Parks and Recreation Director Cindy Shook, Utilities Director Mike Ray, Economic Development Director Garrett Anderson, Planning and Development Director Joel Hornickel, Finance Director Jamie Rouch, Fire Chief Ted Martin and Human Resources Director Jan Fischer.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Best began the Public Comments section of the Board of Aldermen meeting by stating the Board would hear citizens that signed the Speaker's Sheet in the order they are listed on the sheet.

There were no speakers this evening.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Best asked if there were any citizens that had any items they wished to have removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Best asked if any member of the Board had any items they wished to have removed from the Consent Agenda. Hearing none, Mayor Best asked City Clerk Westfall to read the items on the Consent Agenda. City Clerk Westfall read the following Consent Agenda items by title.

Approval of Board of Aldermen Minutes:

- a) June 18, 2015 Study Session
- b) June 23, 2015 Regular Meeting

Acknowledge Receipt of Minutes:

- a) Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting of May 5, 2015
- b) Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting of June 2, 2015
- c) Tree Board meeting of June 3, 2015

Acknowledge Receipt of Petition for:

a) Property located at 189 Avondale Drive, Unit 8, Branson, Missouri

BILL NO. 4764 Ord. No. 2015-0078

Approving a Final Subdivision Plat for Phase 3 of the Welk Resort Branson Villas within the property located at 1984 State Highway 165, Branson, Missouri.

Final Reading of Bill No. 4764, an ordinance approving a Final Subdivision Plat for Phase 3 of the Welk Resort Branson Villas within the property located at 1984 State Highway 165, Branson, Missouri, was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2015-0078 was duly enacted.

Mayor Best opened the floor for a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Parnell moved to approve, seconded by Alderman Davis. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### Report from ETC on Community and Business Survey.

A report was presented by Michael Ashcraft of ETC on the Community and Business Survey. Mayor Best asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Best asked for comments from the Board. Discussion.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-R017

<u>Approving a Special Event Permit Application for the Divas Half Marathon and 5K.</u>

A Resolution approving a Special Event Permit Application for the Divas Half Marathon and 5K was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and a staff report was presented by Joel Hornickel. Mayor Best asked for a motion adopting the resolution. Alderman Davis moved to adopt, seconded by Alderman Simmons. Mayor Best asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Best asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Mayor Best called for a vote on the Resolution. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2015-R017 was adopted.

**BILL NO. 4765** 

Approving Addendum No. 2 to the agreement with Delong Plumbing Two, Inc. pertaining to the HVAC maintenance and repairs at various city buildings.

First Reading of Bill No. 4765, an ordinance approving Addendum No. 2 to the agreement with Delong Plumbing Two, Inc. pertaining to the HVAC maintenance and repairs at various city buildings and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and a staff report was presented by Keith Francis. Mayor Best asked for a motion approving Bill No. 4765. Alderman

Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting 7-14-15 Page 2 of 4 Todd moved to approve, seconded by Alderman Simmons. Mayor Best asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Best asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried.

**BILL NO. 4766** 

Approving an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement with Taney County for reimbursement to the City of Branson for construction costs of an 8 Inch Gravity Sewer Main to Lift Station No. 19.

First Reading of Bill No. 4766, an ordinance approving an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement with Taney County for reimbursement to the City of Branson for construction costs of an 8 Inch Gravity Sewer Main to Lift Station No. 19 and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and a staff report was presented by Mike Ray. Mayor Best asked for a motion approving Bill No. 4766. Alderman Parnell moved to approve, seconded by Alderman Davis. Mayor Best asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Best asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried.

### MAYOR/ALDERMEN/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

Alderman Davis provided an update regarding the Planning and Zoning Commission and reported City Staff and the consultant are continuing to work on revisions to the planning and zoning code. He added, this task is closely related to the Spirit of Highway 76 Project as there is a need to develop well-planned overlay zones which the consultant will now work on.

Alderman Parnell mentioned attending a Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce Board meeting in which he provided an update on the Spirit of Highway 76 Project. He commented some of the Board members believe the chamber might have a role in keeping the project's participants and businesses impacted by the project informed. Alderman Parnell agreed, and said he believes they would be great at this due to having good relationships with local businesses. He reported the Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce has a new program called Branson Young Professionals and the Tourism Community Enhancement District (TCED) audit went well. He mentioned attending a meeting with Administrator Malinen, Presiding Commissioner Mike Scofield, Taney County Collector Sheila Wyatt, Taney County Assessor Chuck Pennel and Taney County Auditor Rick Findley regarding the possibility of new opportunities for intergovernmental agreements. He felt the meeting went well and mentioned other items discussed was nuisance lien collections, motel property assessments, the Bee Creek Agreement, Emory Creek Sewer Plant, Tax Increment Financing and the 911 funding issue. He stated Taney County agreed to meet with the City approximately every 6 months which he hopes will keep these discussions moving forward. Alderman Parnell mentioned attending a Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce Public Relations Committee meeting and a Brainstorming Task Force Meeting in which ideas are generated regarding the Spirit of Highway 76 Project and how to make the project go smoothly. He reported the City of Branson will be handling billboards for the project's promotion and the chamber will be taking care of the electronic billboard promotion. Administrator Malinen commented the Board will be considering contracts to support the public relations effort as part of the Spirit of Highway 76 Project. Alderman Davis thanked Alderman Parnell for his leadership on promoting intergovernmental cooperation. He added, he believes Alderman Parnell is well suited for this task and he appreciates his efforts.

Administrator Malinen reported on the extent of flood damage and said he and staff members met with representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) and did a tour. He stated the City received positive comments from the representatives on how the City was well organized and knowledgeable of how the process works. He commented, this knowledge unfortunately comes from past experience dealing with natural disasters in 2009, 2011 and 2012, but the City is continually improving. Administrator Malinen mentioned

attending a Fountain Workshop and reported Phase II of the Historic Downtown Streetscape Project is moving forward. He said a rock and water feature for Veteran's Boulevard was discussed. Administrator Malinen stated there are several upcoming Board of Aldermen meetings that will conflict with other important dates, so they will come before the Board for a decision on if they should be cancelled. He commented Branson has been re-designated as a storm-ready community by the National Weather Service and he thanked Fire Chief Martin for his efforts.

Mayor Best stated she attended the Branson Recycle Center ribbon cutting and she spoke to a research class at Ozarks Technical Community College that had a great dialogue on poverty issues. She mentioned welcoming the Institute for Transportation and attending a Smart City Round Table hosted by the Taney County Partnership. She added, the event had participants from all over the country and felt it was very exciting. Mayor Best said she attended an event in which the Taney County Health Department received an award and she provided an update on the Spirit of Highway 76 Project for the Branson/Lakes Area Lodging Association. She mentioned speaking with Senator Claire McCaskill regarding financing for the Spirit of Highway 76 Project and felt it was a great conversation. She reported throwing the ceremonial first pitch for the USSSA Girls World Series game and said it was incredible to have them here in Branson. She reported attending the meeting with FEMA and SEMA today and felt it was enlightening for her as a new Mayor and she was impressed with the compliments received about the City. Mayor Best thanked the Department Directors for their hard work.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Best asked for a motion to adjourn into a closed Executive Session. Alderman Davis moved to go into Closed Executive Session pursuant to 610.021.3 RSMo for personnel, seconded by Alderman Todd. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried.

# **ADJOURN**

Mayor Best asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Simmons moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Davis. Voting aye: Parnell, Todd, Davis and Simmons. Nays: None. Absent: Booth and Bohinc. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Karen Best

Lisa Westfa City Clerk